

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A computer peripheral sales promoting system comprising:

a service status detecting ~~means for detecting unit that detects~~ a service status of a computer peripheral;

a customer product information ~~storing means for storing~~ storage device that stores specification information of said computer peripheral and user information which specifies a user of said computer peripheral and also ~~for consecutively updating and storing~~ updates and stores a service status detected by said service status detecting ~~means unit, wherein said service status detecting unit and customer product information storage device~~ are provided in a computer which serves as an upper-level system for said computer peripheral; and

a sales promoting terminal for ~~making providing~~ access to said customer product information ~~storing means~~ storage device to thereby read out said specification information, said user information, and service status.
2. (currently amended): A computer peripheral sales promoting system comprising:

a service status detecting ~~means for detecting unit that detects~~ a service status of a computer peripheral;

a customer product information ~~storing means for storing storage device that stores~~ specification information of said computer peripheral and user information of a user of said computer peripheral and also ~~for consecutively updating and storing updates and stores~~ a service status detected by said service status detecting ~~means unit, wherein said customer product information~~ is provided to ~~in~~ said computer peripheral; and

a sales promoting terminal for ~~making providing~~ access to said customer product information ~~storing means storage device~~ to thereby read out said specification information, said user information, and said service status.

3. (previously presented): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 1, wherein said computer peripheral is arranged in a network.

4. (previously presented): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 2, wherein said computer peripheral is arranged in a network.

5. (previously presented): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 1, wherein said computer peripheral comprises a data storing apparatus.

6. (previously presented): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 2, wherein said computer peripheral comprises a data storing apparatus.

7. (previously presented): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 3, wherein said computer peripheral comprises a data storing apparatus.

8. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 4, wherein said computer peripheral comprises a data storing apparatus.

9. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 5, wherein said specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting ~~means~~ unit detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

10. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 6, wherein said specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting ~~means~~ unit detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

11. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 7, wherein said specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting ~~means~~ unit detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

12. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 8, wherein said specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting ~~means-unit~~ detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

13. (canceled).

14. (currently amended): A computer peripheral sales promoting system comprising:
a service status detecting ~~means-for-detecting unit that detects~~ a service status of a computer peripheral; and

a customer product information ~~storing-means-for-storing storage device that stores~~ specification information of said computer peripheral and user information which specifies a user of said computer peripheral and also ~~for consecutively updating-and-storing updates and stores~~ a service status detected by said service status detecting unit, means; and

wherein a sales promoting terminal for making access to said customer product information storing ~~means storage device is accessible to a sales promoting terminal which can~~
~~to thereby~~ read out said specification information, said user information, and service status.